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SUBJECT: FINAL TRIAL SESSION OF PRESBYTERIAN MINISTER
AND ASSOCIATES

1. THE FINAL TRIAL SESSION OF PRESBYTERIAN
MINISTER PARK KYUNG KYU, EVANGELIST KWON HO KYUNG,
AND TWO FORMER NDP OPPOSITION PARTY STAFF MEMBERS,
NAM SAN GU AND YI CHONG NAM, TOOK PLACE IN SEOUL
CRIMINAL COURT YESTERDAY, SEPTEMBER 18.

2. ALL FOUR DEFENDENTS ARE CHARGED WITH ATTEMPTED
CONSPIRACY TO SEEK THE OVERTHROW OF THE GOVERNMENT
BY INCITEMENT TO BEBELLION, A CHARGE BASED
LARGELY ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF ANTI-GOVERNMENT
LEAFLETS DURING EASTER SERVICES AT NAM SANG
MOUNTAIN.

3. THE PROSECUTOR HAS ASKED FOR FIVE YEAR
SENTENCES FOR PARK, KWON, AND NAM AND AN 18 MONTH
SENTENCE FOR YI. THE COURT IS TO PRONOUNCE
FINAL SENTENCE ON SEPTEMBER 25.

4. AT LUNCH WITH MINISTER OF JUSTICE
SIN CHIK-SU THE AMBASSADOR DISCUSSED TRIAL,
EXPRESSING HIS CONCERN. HE ALSO NOTED ITS EFFECT
ON KOREAN IMAGE ABROAD, ESPECIALLY IN US CHURCH
CIRCLES, AND POSSIBLE IMPACT ON INTERNAL CHURCH-
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